

JAPAN NOT READY TO REVEAL PACTS

Tokio Has Asked China's "Consent" to Publication. Delegation Says

BALKS AT COLONY PLAN Proud of South Sea Achievements, Wants to Spread Its Culture There

By the Associated Press Paris, Feb. 14.—The Havas Agency says it has been informed by the Japanese delegation to the Peace Conference that the announcement that Baron Makino, senior Japanese delegate, had received an order to publish certain agreements concluded between China and Japan is premature.

"Pressure" Again Denied The Havas Agency also makes public the following: "Viscount Chinda, Japanese ambassador to Great Britain, again affirms categorically that the allegations contained in a dispatch from Pekin dated February 9, and published in London February 12, are absolutely without foundation.

Japan has not yet agreed to the plan for making the mandatory for the Caroline and Marshall Islands. While the other Powers have virtually agreed to the mandatory principle and are willing to accept direction of the German colonies, Japan desires a more complete definition of the plan under which the two groups of Pacific Islands will be entrusted to her, and a more complete description of the kind of international control and supervision which will obtain under the society of nations.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The Japanese Government regards as "absolutely essential" the treaties and agreements signed by Japan and China in Pekin May 25, 1915, relating to the settlement of the Shantung question and defining Japan's position in south Manchuria and eastern Inner Mongolia.

In order to present the Japanese view concerning the importance which the Japanese Government attaches to the series of treaties and agreements of 1915, all of which have been made public, the instructions given by Baron Kato, then Foreign Minister, to the then Japanese minister to China, Mr. Hiroki, on December 3, 1914, have been made public here. They say in part: "In order to provide for the readjustment of affairs consequent on the Japan-German war and for the purpose of insuring a lasting peace in the Far East by strengthening the position of the empire, the Imperial Government has resolved to approach the Chinese Government with a view to conclude treaties and agreements mainly along the lines laid down in the first four groups of the proposals."

Japan, having determined to obtain the ends set forth in the five groups except the fifth, which was withdrawn, "by all means within her power," will not consider, according to the instructions obtained here, any proposal for their review or revision.

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Una Delegation al Riguardo e Ricevuta dal Presidente Wilson

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Paris, 13 febbraio.—Il Presidente Wilson ha oggi ricevuto una deputazione proveniente da Fiume, il grande porto dell'Adriatico a sud-est di Trieste, composta da Dott. Grossich, presidente del consiglio nazionale; M. Ossolnach, deputato di Fiume e dal Dott. Vio, sindaco della città.

Roma, 12 febbraio.—Diplomati giunti da Vienna segnalano che il Governo Austriaco ha inviato una protesta a tutti i governi Alleati ed al Presidente Wilson contro l'Italia che reclama il possesso di sessantaquattro dipinti che sono di proprietà personale dell'Imperatore Carlo, e non della corona.

Vienna, 12 febbraio.—Il Governo Austriaco ha protestato contro il Governo Italiano che pretende la restituzione di dipinti che furono presi nei territori italiani occupati dalle truppe austro-ungariche. Tra detti dipinti vi e' la "Madonna del Tre Aranci" del Giovanni Battista, il "Grisio" del Carpaccio, una pittura del Tintoretto, due pezzi di stoffe del Veronese ed altri tesori d'arte.

PEACE TO DIVIDE GERMANY'S SHIPS

Maritime Council Arranges Temporary Distribution of 750,000 Tons

SEND ENVOYS TO SPA Passenger Vessels for Transports—Cargo Carriers to Convey Food

By the Associated Press Paris, Feb. 14.—An official communication issued last evening says: "The maritime and transport council met February 13, 4 and 11. Those present were MM. Clementel and Holson, for France; Signor Crespi, for Italy; George Rublee, for the United States, and J. A. Salter, for Great Britain.

Important decisions were made as to the allocation for management and use of Austrian and German tonnage. Passenger vessels will be mainly employed for the carriage of troops and cargo vessels for the carriage of food to different parts in Europe, including liberated areas and enemy countries. The vessels are to be divided for the purposes of management among the associated governments.

These arrangements were made in the understanding that the ultimate disposition of the vessels by the terms of peace would in no way be prejudicial and, in order to make this a fact, they are being administered in the meantime in trust for the associated governments as a whole. They will fly the flag of the Allied maritime transport service, as well as the national flag of the country undertaking their management.

The council appointed delegates to proceed to Spa, together with representatives of the food departments and the naval authorities of the several governments, to meet the representatives of the German Government February 16, and to arrange with regard to the delivery of vessels which the German Government was bound to hand over under the armistice of January 17.

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KAISER WAS BENT ON FORCING WAR

Would Have Compelled It Had Archduke Not Been Slain

REVELATIONS DAMNING Ultimatum Timed When French Chiefs Were at Sea, Book Shows

London, Feb. 14.—A book based on official documents, and issued today, describes as a fallacy the belief that the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand at Sarajevo was a "stage managed affair," but asserts from knowledge obtained from official documents that if the assassination had not occurred the war certainly would have been started very soon.

The famous Potsdam conference of July 5, 1914, according to the book, was not what has generally been accepted. The meeting took place, but it was not a formal conference as has been declared repeatedly. It is asserted that many persons who were supposed to have been there were not present.

Some of the accepted stories of happenings in the critical days just before the war are shattered in the book, which includes personal notes of diplomats and was written by Prof. Charles W. Oman, president of the Royal Historical Society and a professor of history at Oxford University. A. J. Balfour, the British Foreign Secretary, and Earl Curzon, government leader in the House of Lords, are understood to have taken an active interest in its compilation.

One of the "damning revelations" as Professor Oman calls them, is a statement that, from a close study of Munich newspapers, he has established that the ultimatum from the Vienna Government to the Serbian Government was deliberately timed when President Poincare and Premier Viviani of France were at sea after their departure from Petrograd, in order to make it difficult for the Entente to reach an understanding.

There is a panic at Hamburg as a result of depredations by bands of thieves operating throughout the city, according to Berlin dispatches to the Handelsblad. The hands are said to travel in motor cars and to be heavily armed, and it is reported that the residences of merchants have been pillaged and the police are helpless. Twenty residences have already been robbed.

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BAN GERMAN DOCTORS U. S. Troops Not Allowed to Patronize Enemy Physicians. Confess. Feb. 14.—(By A. P.) Further evidence of American determination to prevent the intermingling of Germans and men of the army of occupation was given today in the issuance of orders forbidding American soldiers to patronize German doctors. Regulations against fraternization are still strictly enforced and the latest order was in line with that forbidding the local purchase of foodstuffs.

THIEVES TERRORIZE HAMBURG

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